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 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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1203	290	2203	145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	86	2204	43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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		1254	1,480	Extension for reply within fourth month	
		1255	2,010	Extension for reply within fifth month	
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		1403	290	Request for oral hearing	
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		1452	110	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
		1453	1,330	Petition to revive - unintentional	
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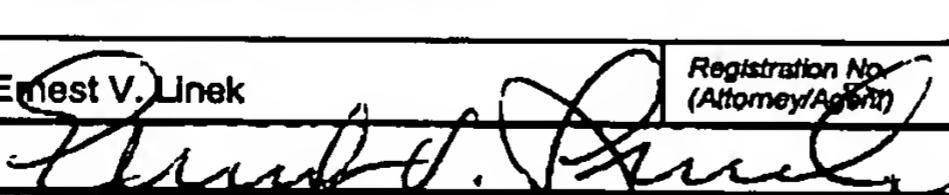
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OFFICE ACTION RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

In response to the Office Action dated 06 May 2004, please amend the claims as shown herein. Amendments to the Claims begin on Page 2. Remarks begin on Page 6.

Should the Examiner wish to discuss any of the amendments and/or remarks made herein, the undersigned attorney would appreciate the opportunity to do so. Thus the Examiner is hereby invited to call the undersigned, collect, at the number shown.

Respectfully submitted,